

Home Matters.

Church Directory.

Congregational.—Rev. W. C. Smith, at Thoma Vista Hall, every Sunday at half past 10 o'clock A. M. and 7 o'clock P. M.

Methodist.—Rev. J. C. Smith, at Thoma Vista Hall, every Sunday at half past 10 o'clock A. M. and 7 o'clock P. M.

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Taxes: Taxes: Taxes!!!

The City of East Saginaw is some in almost anything one can mention, but she has fairly beaten herself in the matter of taxation. We claim that our taxes are unequally assessed and unnecessarily large—at a time when business of all kinds is dull—nearly all our manufacturing establishments shut up and navigation closed, we are called upon to pay taxes that are unequal, unjust and burdensome; and for which we have not had value received—our City is mis-governed—nearly every department of it seems corrupt or imbecile. There are those amongst us who will be obliged to mortgage their property to pay their taxes—others who will be obliged to sell off all their loose property, provisions, &c., and resort to the Pine woods for work and a subsistence during the winter. We are young and vigorous, and have stood and can stand a vast amount of blood letting, but the body corporate begins to show signs of exhaustion, and as this enormous taxation deters strangers from buying and setting in our midst, a few more straws of the tax leviathan will find us on our last legs.

We say this more in sorrow than in anger, for we are proud of our young town, and of its prosperity—yet we feel it our bounden duty to stop as near as may be, this extravagance and waste of public money, and act upon the principle that a prudent business man does in his individual capacity, by making our expenditures correspond with our receipts. It is an easy thing to vote to pay money, but quite another thing to pay it—a few amongst us can stand it, but it will drive from amongst us a large class of people, men of small means, who came here anxious to better their condition—nearly all of whom have small places with snug houses, but who have expended all their means to obtain them, and who depend upon their daily labor for their support—we will not particularize, for the instances are numerous and in a matter so universal as this tax, most of us need not refer to his neighbors for the truths here stated. We have some curious facts in our possession with regard to these matters, which as time permits and occasion requires, we shall give to the public.

Review of the Fire Department.—Last Friday, by order of the Chief Engineer, the Engine Companies of this city were out for inspection and review. Hook & Ladder Company was ordered out, also, but failed to make their appearance. Pioneer Co. No. 1, turned out in full force, with their Engine and apparatus in fine order, and on the trial did some good throwing. We are sorry we cannot say as much for Excelsior, No. 2, but the fact is no fireman can have the heart to "run" enthusiastically with a machine in such condition as is theirs. Whether it can ever be made to work is more than we can tell, but if it is once more put in reliable shape, we are not afraid to guaranty that the "boys" will do their duty with it, and give it all the requisite style and polish.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

BRIDGEMAN & Co., at the old stand of A. Ferguson, have a fine assortment of gift books, annuals, toys, jewelry, and a great variety of keepsakes for the holidays.

Confectionary.—Dan. P. Fox, corner of Genesee and Water sts., has a choice stock of confectionaries, candy toys, candies, almost everything in the line, and of the best quality.

For the Holidays!!!

Confectionary,
Confectionary,
Candies,
Candy Toys,
Candies,
Confectionary,
and
more Confectionary
and Candy.

Dec. 23. DAN. P. FOX.

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Books,
Jewelry,
Presents,
in great variety,
for the Holidays,
at
F. N. BRIDGEMAN & CO.,
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(Correspondence of the Detroit Tribune.)

Letter from East Saginaw.

Business—Progress of Improvement—Manufacture of Streets—Salt Works—Ames & Co.'s Works—A Glimpse of the Future.
EAST SAGINAW CITY, Dec. 12, 1889.
While business at this point is apparently dull, because all the active and industrious men are in the woods, engaged in securing logs for the next season's sawing, you must not suppose that business and improvement are at a standstill. Such is by no means the case, as a most cursory glance in at the large warehouses of Curtis & Bliss, Derby & Co. and others will show. The sales of the large houses here average some three or four hundred dollars per day, cash or its equivalent, while the smaller ones think sales of from one to two hundred a small day's work. Along the banks of the river the march of improvement may be seen in a very large and fine new saw mill in process of erection by Warner Eastman & Co., the frame and chimney stack of which is completed, and the whole of which will be ready for work in early spring. In addition to this an energetic firm are just completing the machinery to manufacture by steam power, barrel staves of every kind for pork barrels, oil casks, whisky casks, (heaven forbid that there should be any demand for the latter) and various other casks and barrels required by commerce. With the boundless supply in this vicinity of all kinds of the very best timber staves, heading and hoops, there is no reason on earth why East Saginaw, with capital enough, should not manufacture all the barrels and casks required in the northwestern world. This new establishment, it is anticipated will, within the next six months, be tasked to its very utmost, to manufacture barrels for the domestic Saginaw Salt, which will be produced in this vicinity very shortly after the present salt well shall have demonstrated the truth of our Houghton's Geological Theory, that the valley of the Saginaw is the centre of the great salt basin of the northwest. The brine now thrown off from the salt well is sufficiently strong to more than justify the expectations of the enterprising gentlemen who commenced the work of sinking it. Rest assured that within the next six months the demonstration will have been finished, that the Saginaw Valley can produce all the domestic salt required for its own use and all the surrounding country.

But onward, the march of improvement, like that of the Empire holds its way, and here on this beautiful river, the great house of Ames & Co., of Massachusetts, have found the precise spot to secure at the lowest possible cost, the very best possible ash and hickory for shovel and pick handles for their great establishment, that supplies our whole country from Maine to Georgia and from Missouri to California, with their implements for the miner, the farmer and the railroad contractor. One of their contractors has completed, or will soon do so, his arrangements to furnish to Ames & Co., shovel and pick handles to the amount of \$20,000 per annum, as long as the contractor may choose. Thus you will see that my prediction of 1887 will soon have a reality, that the oak, ash, and hickory, and elm, and black walnut of the Saginaw Valley, will prove as valuable as the pines that are now shipped from this Valley by millions of feet annually. The time is close at hand when the fifty-four saw mills on this river will be running all the winter months, in sawing oak and ash and hickory and other hard wood, which is now wasted by the clearing and burning of the new settler, or converted into shingles by the vendor of pots and pearls. And may we not expect that, ere long, when the railroad shall have been finished, the salt works fully established, and the coal beds in this vicinity shall have been opened, that here will be erected manufacturing of hubs and spokes, and fellers, of hames, of rakes, of fork-handles, of furniture, of chairs, and indeed of every article fashioned from wood, which exists here, of the very best qualities and in boundless quantities.

CLINTON.
THEATRE.—The performance at the American Theatre in this City has thus far been very satisfactory, and the company have been greeted with full houses. As we before stated, the "professionals," Mr. & Mrs. Nourse, Mr. & Mrs. Lacy, and Mr. Turner, are good, and the support they receive from the amateurs who constitute the rest of the company, though not perfect in every instance, is certainly all that could be expected under the circumstances. The "Old Guard" and "The People's Lawyer," are on the bill for Saturday evening.

A SWEET AFTERPIECE.—Two gentlemen of our acquaintance not a thousand miles away, having a taste for private theatricals, after rehearsing a few days since, the high tragedy, entitled the "Rye Whiskey Plot," concluded their performance by playing a farce, in which the "star" actor plunged "permiskus" into a large tub filled with molasses. "On my honor," quoth the hero, "this is making a spread."

WATER.—100,000 feet of good pine Lumber and 100,000 good Shingles in exchange for Castings and Machinery work by HESS & BRO.
OLD IRON, BRASS AND COPPER. ALWAYS bought in exchange for work by HESS & BRO.
JACK SCREWS FOR RAISING BUILDINGS. For sale or to let by the day, by HESS & BRO.

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FOR THE FALL AND WINTER TRADE.

SANBORN & TUCKER,
GENESEE STREET.

Have Just Opened a Large

And Well Assorted Stock

OF

GROCERIES,

Provisions, Family Supplies, Wooden-ware, &c.

For Lumbermen and Family use, which they will

sell, as usual, at moderate prices. The following

form but a small portion of our stock:

FLOUR, FEED, PORK, BUTTER, LARD,

Cheese, Sugar, Hams,

COFFEE, TEA, BUCKETS, BASKETS

Brooms, Brushes,

BURNING FLUID, CIGARS, TOBACCO,

Champhane, Oils,

CRACKERS, MOLASSES, SYRUP

Rice, Preserved Citrus, Raisins, Currants, Fruit,

Willow Baskets, Bed Cord, Twine, Clothes Lines,

Seamless Bags, Winter Apples, Starch, Sugar Brushes,

Soup Candles, Floor Polish, Sugar Boxes, Patent Pails,

Keeney Oil, Wicks for all kinds, &c., &c.

COFFEE—Rio, Laguira, Mocha, Java.

SUGARS—Crushed, Powdered, Granulated, Brown,

and refined sugar, all kinds.

Teas—Gunpowder, Imperial, Black and Green,

12 lb. caddies.

We have on hand this Fall a better assortment of

goods than we have ever before brought into this

market, and thankful for the very liberal patronage

thus far received, hope to merit its continuance.

East Saginaw, Nov. 10, 1889.

BOOKS & STATIONERY.

FRED. N. BRIDGEMAN,

At the Post Office, East Saginaw, Michigan, has

a good assortment of

BOOKS,

Scientific, Classical, School, Theological, Juvenile,

Agricultural, Historical, Miscellaneous and Humorous.

Also Blank Books of every description, full

bound, half bound, or not bound at all.

PAPER,

Plotting, Foolscap, Legal cap, Letter, Commercial

Note, Bulletins, Bank Envelopes, Gill edged, ruled and

plain and envelopes to match, paper, Wrapping

paper, Drawing paper, Bristol Board, etc., etc.

WALL PAPER,

The best assortment in this region with a variety of

border, curtain paper, also, certain fixtures and

Curtains of the latest and most improved styles.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Steel pens, rewards of merit, pen holders, pencils,

port monies, wallets, hat and cloth brushes, stents,

flavoring extracts, cologne, hair oils, pomades, hair

oil, fancy toilet soaps, black, blue, and carmine

face, make-up, etc., album, four, lithographs,

steel engravings, gilt moulding, cord and tassels for

picture frames.

MORE VET.

Medical Instruments, Violins, Flutes, Accordions,

Violin strings, Toothpicks, Knives and Yankee Not-

ions generally. Also

Periodicals and Newspapers.

Twelve: Harper's Atlantic, Lady's Book, Harper's

Weekly, Ballou's Pictorial, Frank Leslie, N. Y.

Ledger, Mercury and East Saginaw Courier.

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Incorporated 1819. Charter Perpetual.

Cash Capital, \$1,000,000.

ABSOLUTE AND UNIMPAIRED.

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The value of reliable Insurance will be apparent

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DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

In Ohio, \$431,520.83 In Michigan, \$158,043.81

In Wisconsin, 106,955.07 In Indiana, 146,839.81

In Kentucky, 204,599.40 In Illinois, 445,327.41

In Missouri, 134,848.04 In Tennessee, 92,549.21

In Iowa & Minn. 101,399.46 Kansas & Neb. 19,945.77

Penn. & Va. 21,595.92 Arkansas & Ga. 23,945.09

Mississippi and Alabama, 852,412.18

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Risks accepted at terms consistent with solvency and

fair profit.

Special attention given to Insurance of DWELL-

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The solid service long and successfully tried, and

the many advantages the Etina Insurance Company

possesses in its line, should not be overlooked by

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During "stringent times" the necessity for reliable

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Agencies in all the principal cities and towns

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Business attended to with dispatch and fidelity.

WM. L. WEBBER, Agent.

South corner of Water and Genesee streets, East

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For sale by HESS & BRO.

WANTED. 100,000 feet of good pine Lumber and

100,000 good Shingles in exchange for Castings

and Machinery work by HESS & BRO.

OLD IRON, BRASS AND COPPER. ALWAYS

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THE VERY LATEST.

Peace in Europe.

BIG CROPS IN AMERICA.

GOOD TIMES COMING.

LUMBER ON THE RISE

Freights Low.

SAGINAW VALLEY SOUND.

For the Summer Trade which will sell cheap

as ships. Customers from a thousand miles in any

direction can make money by giving us their trade.

Quantity and quality to suit purchasers. Bring or

send orders and every thing will be made satisfactory.

Now is the Time

To take advantage of the tide "which flows on to

fortune" and if you wish to buy yourselves rich go to

East Saginaw, August 2, 1889.

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